

Philadelphia Bowlers Pledge Wholesome Support of A. C. B. A. Tourney Here

A. C. B. A. EVENT TO DRAW 120 PHILLY TEAMS HERE IN APRIL

Tri-City Matches Followed by Meeting Which Pledges Support of Quaker Bowlers by President H. R. Fehr.

New York Will Send Many Fives for Tournament, According to Assurances of Several Prominent Officials.

By KIRK C. MILLER.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 23.—Washington is to have the moral support of five hundred Philadelphia tenpin bowlers, the active support of twenty-four teams including 120 bowlers, with their \$2,300 financial assistance, and the actual attendance of what promises to be 300 leading citizens for its 1916 tournament of the Atlantic Coast Bowling Association to be held at Camp Emory during the three weeks beginning April 3.

This assurance was given the Capitolians following the tri-city tenpin matches held at the Keystone alleys last night when New York, Philadelphia, and Washington teams met on the alleys. Following the games a "booster" session was held at the Bingham House, when President H. R. Fehr, of the Philadelphia chapter of the A. C. B. A., addressed the bowlers and guests. In his remarks, Fehr guaranteed that the figures quoted above are the least that can be expected of the Quaker City pinners and he ventured the guess that they would be exceeded by almost half if the bowlers fall in line with the purposes of the A. C. B. A. in the manner that is expected.

Fehr's assuring remarks were substantiated by none other than Vice President E. C. Johnson, of the National A. C. B. A., who has been a leader to date in the activities here of the youthful organization. Added to this refreshing information, the Washington men here today have the promise of three teams from New York, it having come from no less a personage than Ex-Senator Samuel S. Chase, of New York, who is as the head of the "Childs" string of restaurants and who is also president of the Childs Tenpin League of Greater New York. Mr. C. H. Chickering, another active Gotham bowler, and director of the big piano institution which bears his name, mentioned the fact that he has half dozen other teams at his "command" who will undoubtedly patronize Washington's tournament next April, and with these assurances, the District of Columbia men who are here feel that their efforts in invading Philadelphia have not been in vain.

Philadelphia itself has been thoroughly aroused in the interests of Washington's tenpin-candlepin-duckpin tournament, which is expected to attract a large entry from this city, and the fact that few tenpin teams will be entered from Washington and that some of the Quakers to believe that they can drag down a greater portion of the tenpin prize money. New York bowlers are confident that they can at least win back their own entry fees and the scores which follow will prove ample reason for their confidence. Although New York does not promise such a positive entry, it does indicate an inclination to favor the A. C. B. A. in coming years. New York is an old standpat N. B. A. city and for it to warm up to the A. C. B. A. to the present extent is a decided encouragement. President H. R. Fehr, of the Washington division of the A. C. B. A., was the principal speaker in behalf of the efforts which he has made to stage a successful tournament. He went into some detail regarding the elaborate plans which are being made, and it was following his address to Philadelphia and New York promised their undivided support, so far as they will be able to organize their efforts from now until the end of the entrance period. Harry Krauss also spoke eloquently in behalf of the work now going on at Washington, as did James E. Fields and Frederick Thomas. Thomas Jones was tournament of the informal banquet which was held at the hotel where the bowlers on their arrival, and before the feast was ended every home and visiting bowler was invited to speak.

The actual bowling was getting developed much more friendly rivalry, and incidentally gave the competitors an opportunity to get acquainted with the caliber of opposition which might be expected in Washington next April. Harry Krauss, as usual, distinguished himself above all individuals by getting high game of 285. The totals for the two Washington teams were: Ironquins, 2,441; Royals, 2,771. Philadelphia, No. 1, 2,522; No. 2, 2,522. New York, 2,526. An uneven number of teams rolled from each city no definite winner is considered above another, but the figures show that Washington is not lacking in any respect in tenpin talent.

"Dick" Barber complained that the alleys here are the "fastest" that he has ever rolled upon. "Dick" did not go to Brooklyn.

BOWLING PROMOTER



GEORGE L. ISEMAN.

Whose efforts in arranging intercity duckpin matches with Baltimore, Martinsburg, and other nearby towns have been a distinct aid to the game, and have made the sport many friends which it might not otherwise claim.

Isemann is giving the winter pastime much of his time both in actual competition and in organization work. His accomplishments so far indicate a brilliant future for him in things bowling.

"SINCLAIR GRAFTING, BAKER IS NUTTY"

Manager Griffith So Characterizes Gedeon Case. If Facts Quoted Are True.

"Gedeon's case will show whether Sinclair is a real man or a grafter," said Clark Griffith today. "Sinclair wanted to get rid of Gedeon's contract, which is a pretty stiff one with the Feds, and I told him I thought I had a right to Gedeon as he played in Salt Lake under my contract."

"Gedeon never played with the Feds, and had accepted my contract and money from me," continued Griffith. "If the contract was binding on me, and Gedeon could collect I consider it binding on him."

"Sinclair is trying to sell something to the Yankees over which he has no right. He is going to prove himself either a man or a mousetrap. We put our case in the hands of organized baseball and expect to have the right thing done. 'As for Baker's claim,' said Griffith, 'there is nothing to it. Baker is nutty. He has been quoted correctly. Some one ought to catch him and cage him if what he says has been reported truly. 'If organized baseball supports me I think I will have no trouble in getting Gedeon. Of course, if I am told to go off I'll do so, but I think I have the best claim to the player, as he accepted my money first and I have a ten days' clause in my contract. Nick Altrock along about March 1, at which time the veteran will take charge of the first bunch starting for Charlottesville."

Excellent rolling of Fields, Krauss, and McKnew.

The rolling of John Koster, of New York, was a revelation to many who had never seen this champion performer. He has one of the easiest and most graceful deliveries that the writer has ever seen.

William Knox, the Philadelphia city champion, who is the only bowler who has ever spilled 30 pins in national tournament, also attracted attention from the Capital and Gotham bowlers.

The scores:

WASHINGTON, No. 1	No. 2
McManamy.....	294
Fritz.....	184
Allen.....	174
Johnson.....	148
Krauss.....	142
Trucks.....	134
Totals.....	1,175

WASHINGTON, No. 2

Barber.....	173
Walker.....	156
McKnew.....	152
Johnson.....	129
Garrett.....	123
Totals.....	833

PHILADELPHIA, No. 1

Franklin.....	298
Conk.....	169
Jones.....	164
Trucks.....	159
Krauss.....	153
Totals.....	953

PHILADELPHIA, No. 2

Hardy.....	196
King.....	178
Grossman.....	191
Lake.....	169
Hoffman.....	142
Totals.....	876

NEW YORK

Thompson.....	151
Chickering.....	136
Childs.....	160
Johns.....	170
Kosher.....	170
Totals.....	827

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BENNIS AND HEGARTY OUT FOR W. VA. JOBS

Former Georgetown Coach and Captain Mentioned to Handle Football Team.

By BRYAN MORSE.

Eddie Bennis, former coach of the Georgetown football team, and a well-known Penn athlete of other days, has been mentioned as coach of the West Virginia University football team for next year along with Jack Hegarty. Georgetown's captain of three years ago and coach of the Carolina A. and M. football team for the past two years.

Hegarty and Bennis have a deal of opposition from Red Fleming, the former W. and J. star; Robert Berryman, the Penn State crack; Elgie Tobin, Mont McIntyre and Dave Morrow being considered. Some time ago Hegarty received a bid for the Morgantown job. It is understood, and now Bennis is being considered.

Catholic University established a record in Fayerweather Gymnasium last night in holding the University of Virginia shooters to three lonely baskets, defeating Virginia on her own floor for the first time in four years. The score, 23 to 11 in favor of the Catholics, was a veritable triumph and puts Fred Rice's team in the vanguard for the South Atlantic title.

At the end of the first half the Virginia team was trailing by a 15 to 5 score and the Charlottesville followers could hardly believe their eyes. Virginia's shooting was so poor that the Catholics were able to defeat Virginia on its own floor. In this respect, the Catholics were able to defeat Virginia on its own floor. In this respect, the Catholics were able to defeat Virginia on its own floor.

The Navy handed Georgetown a beating by a score of 23 to 15. The contest was close for the first half. Superior teamwork made Navy's scores possible. The work of the Georgetown team suffered in comparison, as there was too much individual work.

Loyola got in ahead of the Gallaudet team yesterday by a score of 49 to 30. The Baltimore team kept ahead of Gallaudet by three or four points during the contest. The Catholics, led by the visitors, scored nine baskets.

George Washington hooked up with the Y. M. C. A. quint last night in the University of Virginia. Louie Harry Almon is back with the team again, and has added much to the offensive strength of the quint. The "Y" team appeared to have the edge on the collegians in the scrimmaging last night.

The Fort Myer Soldier Y. M. C. A. teams took a double bill at the Terminal Railroad Y. M. C. A. players last night, winning from the "Y" team by a score of 29 to 20, and from the second five by 36 to 5. The Terminal regulars were without the services of Platz, Head, and Bailey.

Columbia Supplants Princeton at Williams

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Jan. 23.—Columbia supplants Princeton on the Williams football schedule for 1916, which has just been announced, and Massachusetts Agricultural College replaces Trinity. These are the only changes from last year's schedule. Five out of the eight games will be played at home.

The schedule follows: September 30, R. F. I., at Williamstown; October 7, Union, at Williamstown; October 14, Cornell, at Ithaca; October 21, Brown, at Williamstown; October 28, Columbia, at New York; November 4, Wesleyan, at Williamstown; November 11, M. A. C., at Williamstown; November 18, Amherst, at Amherst.

Football Rule Makers To Meet February 25

BOSTON, Jan. 23.—The football rules committee will meet February 25 and 26 in New York to consider changes in the rules governing the gridiron sport. Chairman E. K. Hall announced here today.

Several minor revisions and interpretation of certain rules now on the books have been suggested. It is understood, but none is considered especially important.

Local Scouts Lose.

The Y. M. C. A. Boy Scout basketball team was handily defeated by the Annapolis Boy Scouts last night at the Annapolis Reserves. The team won a 29-to-17 score.

Army Trimmed.

WEST POINT, N. Y., Jan. 23.—Swarthmore won from the Army at basketball yesterday in one of the best games ever played here, scoring 16 to 14. The team went fifteen minutes in the first half without a score.

League to Meet.

The Potomac League of the Amateur Baseball Association, will hold its annual meeting on Thursday night at the residence of President James Marbury. The Potomac League had one of the best seasons in its career among the amateurs last year.

Will Play Soccer.

The St. Elizabeth's team, of Baltimore, is here today for a soccer game with the Washington Soccer Club. The Baltimoreans took a 6-to-1 victory in their last game with the locals.

Potomacs to Smoke.

The Potomac Boat Club members are expecting a great time at the smoker to be held at the club on Thursday night. Bill Powell is in charge of the affair.

TODAY'S SPORTORIAL

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Just because Jess Willard is built up in the air like a tower, don't promptly conclude that he will easily defeat any opponent who fails to measure up to his own standards. Indeed, in looking back over Jess Willard's record, it is possible to pick out several smaller foemen who toppled the Kansas giant to the floor. Joe Cox—who ever heard of him?—dropped Willard in five rounds at Springfield, Mo., on October 11, 1911. It looked so bad that the scribes watching the bout bawled out Willard for being yellow. Gunboat Smith, giving away sixty pounds, got a decision over Willard in San Francisco, and "Bearcat" McMahon twice won from the present world's champion. As a matter of fact, mere height and weight has little or nothing to do with the success of a boxer. Of course, there isn't a man in the world who would back Kid Williams to win from Willard. That would be too ridiculous. But when you begin discussing the chances of Frank Moran, that's another matter. Kid McCoy showed that a good little man, if he wasn't too little, could win from a big man when he dropped Herr Placke and Gus Ruhlin. Ruhlin was a fair boxer, too, by the way. Joe Wolcott, a sawed-off man, put Joe Choyinski away, though the Barbados boxer was a welterweight and stood but two inches higher than five feet. Mere size has little to do with the matter. Indeed, Willard might find his height and bulk a disadvantage if he were compelled to enter the same ring with Jack Dillon. There are many followers of the ring today who believe that Dillon could win the world's title from Willard, despite his size.

Joe Lannin comes forward with the most sensible argument of all when he lowers prices at Fenway Park. Instead of holding up the fans for \$1.25 and \$1.50 to sit in box seats, he will charge them only one dollar. Instead of reserving a big bunch of seats for a dollar in the stand, Lannin will sell every seat for seventy-five cents. Inasmuch as Lannin owns the world's champions, it is going to be difficult for other clubs in the league to retain their present high prices for similar seats. There is no sense in charging a man a dollar to sit in the grandstand. Certainly, if Lannin's world's champions are willing to play for seventy-five cents, how can any other club in the league charge more? Baseball as played today is not worth more than a dollar for the highest price. If the managers are willing to boost the old-timer who played before fans paying fifty cents, why should they not be satisfied with at the most a dollar for the privilege of looking at the modern players? Lannin has made a good move in lowering his prices. It is now up to the other clubs in the league to cut out pleasing the fan with the roll and take into consideration the fan who, lacking the money, is a deep-dyed bug. Give the bug a chance. What do you fans think of this?

This squabble among the promoters seeking to stage the bout between Jess Willard and Frank Moran is more or less of a joke. In the first place, who in all tarnation cares whether Jack Curley or Tex Rickard puts the money that will go together these mammoths of the ring? Ten rounds is hardly going to be enough to decide anything, particularly when the referee can make no decision. Tom Jones, the barber of Kewanee, is going to get as much money as he possibly can before allowing his world's champion to enter the ring. All well and good, but it does seem as if the boxing writers were spreading a bit too much on the financial end of this match. If Willard is a real champion, he will not overlook a chance to prove it. He won't quibble about the money end of the argument. But the trouble is that most of us doubt Willard's real class.

It is foolish for lads to sit down and tell readers how effeminate Percy Haughton is. He may boast a wrist watch, but so does every officer in the European trenches. If one of these writers ever accompanied Haughton into the cafe at the Hotel Lenox, Boston, following a Harvard victory on the gridiron, he would hardly date on the softness and gentle spirit of the new president of the Braves. Percy can smash hats and upset ordinary beers with Sherwood Magee—and that's going some.

Washington is going to gain considerable prestige by holding a successful bowling tournament here in the spring. From all accounts the men in charge are devoting a lot of time to bringing about success and they are entitled to credit for such action. Bowling occupies the attention of some of the best folks in this town, as it does everywhere else. It is healthful and fascinating. If Washington can go through with the coming tournament and make a record surpassing that made last year by Boston, no bowler here will have to take his hat off to any one connected with the game. It is to be hoped that the big gathering will be fully satisfied with conditions and that the local rollers will cop most of the prizes.

VARIED ATHLETIC CARD NEXT MONTH

Navy Teams Meet Rivals in Basketball, Fencing, Swimming, and Wrestling.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 23.—The athletic card for the Navy teams during the month of February embraces contests for the basketball, swimming, fencing, wrestling, and gymnastic teams. The various engagements are as follows:

February 2, Basketball—Fourth class against Baltimore City College.

February 3, Basketball—Navy against New York Athletic Club.

February 4, Basketball—Navy against West Virginia University.

February 5, Basketball—Navy against Virginia Wesleyan.

February 6, Basketball—Navy against Crescent Athletic Club of New York.

February 7, Basketball—Navy against New York Athletic Club.

February 8, Basketball—Navy against University of Pittsburgh.

February 9, Basketball—Navy against University of Virginia.

February 10, Basketball—Navy against University of Chicago.

February 11, Basketball—Navy against University of Wisconsin.

February 12, Basketball—Navy against University of Illinois.

CARROLL DONNELLY RACES TOMORROW

Will Meet Four Cracks in Race at Two Miles at the Coliseum.

CARROLL DONNELLY, Southern roller skating champion, will have to "speed up" at the Central Coliseum rink tomorrow night if he expects to defeat the crack skating team of Engel, Dorsey, Emmert and Lowery, who are to hook up in a two-mile event against him.

This combination is one of the strongest of its kind ever organized in this city, and it is conceded by the roller race critics who have witnessed their work-outs at the rink during the past month that they are a classy lot, and will probably race Donnelly out.

Each member of the relay will step a half mile against the champion, and appears more than probable that the track record of six minutes flat, established by the rink during the past month, will be broken.

Donnelly declared tonight that the scrap will take place on a date between April 1 and 2, providing Moran signs.

The big Kansan arrived this afternoon at the Annapolis Reserves to resume his training at O'Connell's gym Monday.

"It will be the most prosperous year we've had," he said. "All the difficulties are smoothed out now. The pennants races will be better than ever. Fielder Jones will have a contender in his reorganized Browns."

Columbia Loses.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Yale defeated Columbia at basketball here last night, 29 to 21. Capt. Charlie Taft starred for Yale, leading the Blue through a fast, snappy game.

Chicago Dumped.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Northwestern University defeated Chicago 28 to 18 at basketball in a hot game at the Midway gym last night.

Illinois Ahead.

URBANA, Ill., Jan. 23.—Illinois defeated Wisconsin 27 to 20 at basketball last night.

OPENING GAME GOES TO MT. ST. JO TE

Marylanders Have Honor Starting Off Georgetown's Baseball Schedule.

Mt. St. Joseph's will have the honor of opening the Georgetown University baseball season for the fourth time this year, according to the list of engagements given out by Manager Johnny W. Whalen.

Boston College, Penn State, Princeton and Yale will be here during Easter week. The first two teams are new comers on the Blue and Gray list.

John O'Reilly will take the team North on May 1 for an extended trip, which includes games with Army, Yale, Harvard, Tufts, Dartmouth and Boston College.

The schedule follows: March 27, Mt. St. Joseph; March 29, Washington A. L.; March 31, Amherst (pending); April 6, Navy, at Annapolis; April 9, Williams; April 12, Colgate (pending); April 15, Johns Hopkins; April 17, Tufts; April 19, Washington College; April 20, Boston College; April 22, Princeton; April 24, Yale; April 27, North Carolina; April 28, Yale; April 29, North Carolina; April 30, West Virginia; May 1, Boston College; May 2, Harvard; May 3, Cambridge; May 5, Tufts, at Medford, Mass.; May 6, Dartmouth, at Hanover, N. H.; May 8, Yale, at New Haven, Conn.; May 9, Army, at West Point; May 10, Mt. St. Joseph, at Baltimore; May 11, Navy, at Annapolis; May 20, Maryland Aggies; May 24, Gallaudet; May 27, Crescent A. C., at New York; May 30, Fordham, at New York.

E. W. Ford Is "High Gun" In Analoan Shoot

E. W. Ford won high honors at the weekly transpothing tournament of the Analoan Gun Club yesterday afternoon. He killed 94 birds out of 100, which score gave him high average in the spoon event.

E. S. Ford took first prize in Class A of the spoon shoot, breaking 48 saucers out of 50. A. V. Parsons and R. T. Liversedge tied for Class B prize, each killed 44 pigeons out of 50. Liversedge won the shoot-off with 14 down out of 15, against Parsons' 13.

In Class C, James M. Green and E. V. Otis each broke 40 targets. Otis was awarded the prize, as he got fifteen straight in the shoot-off, against Green's twelve. C. S. Wilcox was best in the D class, as he brought down 22 saucers out of 50. Each of the winners received a silver cup as a prize.

E. S. Ford was second high amateur in the singles, setting 33 "dead ones" to his credit out of 100. After setting thirteen of his first fifteen shots, Ford killed sixty birds straight. In the final event he got 47 out of 50.

R. T. Liversedge was next in line with 38 down, while E. V. Otis broke 34 saucers out of 100. Otis lost three "sifters" out of his last seventy shots.

Eastern Wins.

HYATTSVILLE, Md., Jan. 23.—The basketball quint representing the local high school went down to defeat for the first time this season last night, when the Eastern High School Reserve secured the loss of a 25 to 24 score. The features of the game were the work of Manney and Thomas, of the visitors, and the goal-tossing of Crosthwait, of the locals. The game was staged in the armory of Company F.

Carroll Ahead.

Carroll Institute defeated the Roland A. C. five in its own gym last night by a score of 38 to 23. The first half ended with a score of 13 to 12 in favor of Carroll.

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